
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 2357

The Regulatory Reform (Patents) Order 2004

Amendment of the Patents Act 1977

7.—(1) Section 18 of that Act (substantive examination and grant or refusal of patent) shall be amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (1) the words “preliminary examination and ” shall be omitted.

(3) In subsection (2) after the words “any examination” there shall be inserted “ carried out under section 15A above”.

(4) In subsection (4) for the words “section 17” there shall be substituted “section 15A”.